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Preliminary Agenda

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA**

**TUESDAY, January 31, 2023
LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER, OMAHA-DOUGLAS CIVIC CENTER
1819 FARNAM, OMAHA, NE**

9:00 a.m.

As provided by *Neb. Rev. Stat.* §84-1411(6) a public body may allow a member of the public or any witness to appear before the public body by means of virtual conferencing.

Pursuant to §84-1411(6), this meeting is also available via Zoom.

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Pledge of Allegiance

NOTE TO CITIZENS:

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Chair of the Board of County Commissioners--***

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RULES OF DEBATE

- A.** On items requiring discussion/action, the process for debate is as follows:
- 1.** The introducer of the item may speak up to five minutes when he or she first presents the item to the Board of Commissioners.
 - 2.** The Board will hear from proponents and then opponents (citizens are encouraged not to repeat previous comment/testimony). No additional comment/testimony will be permitted unless a Board member requests additional information.
 - 3.** The introduced item shall be motioned and seconded to proceed to debate.
 - 4.** Each Commissioner shall be allowed to speak on introduced item up to two times for no more than five minutes.
 - 5.** The introducer of the item shall be permitted five minutes to close debate.
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AGENDA
FOR
DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
(9:00 a.m.)

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Chair of the Board of County Commissioners--**

Roll Call

- A. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held Tuesday, January 24, 2023. ([See Attached](#))
- B. Call for a meeting and set **Tuesday, February 7, 2023**, as date for hearing on Certified Assessment Corrections reflecting the addition of omitted property to the tax rolls or increased value on property.
- C. **CITIZENS COMMENTS:** *This is an opportunity for members of the audience to be heard at this time for a maximum of **5 minutes** on any topic not on the agenda as it relates to the governance of Douglas County. However, under the Open Meetings Act, agenda items should give reasonable notice of the matters to be considered by the Board so that the public will know which matters are under consideration. As a result, Commissioners will not engage in discussions, conversations, debates or take action on any item presented during Citizen Comments. If a citizen wishes to engage a Commissioner or the Board in a discussion, conversation, debate or have the Board take action, that citizen will follow up with County Administration or the Commissioner of their District and seek to have the item placed on a future agenda for discussion and/or action as appropriate. During Citizen Comments, the Chair will keep order and a citizen may be called "out of order" for disruptive conduct or behavior.*

RESOLUTIONS:

- D. Denial of 2020-2022 Permissive Exemption Applications. The website for Douglas County, www.douglascounty-ne.gov, in its section for Douglas County Agendas, has a link to the supporting information for this agenda item. (Assessor/Register of Deeds) ([See Attached](#))
- E. Approving corrections to personal property affecting the tax list based on taxpayer submitted personal property returns, amended returns, clerical errors or changes to status of business. (Assessor/Register of Deeds) ([See Attached](#))
- F. Approving applications for tax Exemptions Form 457 on motor vehicles recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. ([See Attached](#))

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

We reserve the right to enter an executive session in order to protect the public interest with respect to discussion regarding labor negotiations, litigation and personnel.

ADJOURN

AGENDA
FOR
DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
(Immediately following the conclusion of the Board of Equalization meeting)

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Chair of the Board of County Commissioners--**

Roll Call

I. MINUTES AND CLAIMS:

- A. Approval of minutes of the Board of Commissioners' meeting held Tuesday, January 24, 2023. ([See Attached](#))
- B. Approval of claims submitted for payment processed through Tuesday, January 31, 2023. Complete listing is on file in the office of the County Clerk/Comptroller and available on the Douglas County Clerk/Comptroller's web page at:
<http://www.douglascountyclerk.org/supplierchecks>

II. CONSENT AGENDA: *Any individual item may be removed by a Commissioner for special discussion and consideration. Unless there is an exception, these items will be approved as one with a single vote of the Board of Commissioners.*

- A. Approval of Subdivision Agreement for Travis of Venice. (Kent E. Holm, Environmental Services) (***Held over from Tuesday, January 10, and Tuesday, January 24, 2023, Board meetings***) ([See Attached](#))
- ~~B. Approval for setting the salary of the incoming New Chief Deputy of Administration for the Douglas County Sheriff's Office at \$162,871.00. (Budgeted) (Sheriff A. W. Hanson) (***Held over from Tuesday, January 24, 2023, Board meeting***)~~
- C. The Douglas County Sheriff's Office is requesting approval to renew a Services Agreement with the Omaha Fire Department. (R. Justin Aumann, Sheriff's Office) ([See Attached](#))
- D. Resolution to approve Federal Emergency Management Agency Agreement with Douglas County Nebraska to use the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System. (Paul W. Johnson, Emergency Management) ([See Attached](#))
- E. Todd Pfitzer, Douglas County Engineer, requests approval of the following:
 - 1. An additional amount of \$15,610.28 for added costs to Oldcastle Materials Midwest Co. DBA Omni Engineering for Douglas County Project No. C-28(590) 66th Street from Northern Hills Drive to Twin Brooks Plaza. (Budgeted) ([See Attached](#))
 - 2. Traffic Control Devices in the Bluestem Meadows Addition – S.I.D. No 605. ([See Attached](#))
 - 3. Seven (7) Testing Laboratory Services Fee Schedules for the 2023 Construction season. ([See Attached](#))
 - 4. Engineering Agreement with Kirkham, Michael & Associates for County Project No. C-28(434)B 180th Street – West Papillion Creek Mitigation Site Monitoring. (\$41,500 – Budgeted) ([See Attached](#))

- 5. Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Sanitary and Improvement District No. 602 for County Project C-28(627) – Improvements to State Street adjacent to the Lake Cunningham Village Subdivision. ([See Attached](#))
- F. Resolution to approve “Demand for Refunds.” (\$614,134.91 – Budgeted) (Property Tax Division – Treasurer) ([See Attached](#))
- G. Amendment to agreement between Douglas County and Wellpath for the provision of mental medical and mental health services. (\$1,045,266 – Budgeted) (Michael Myers, Corrections) ([See Attached](#))

III. **RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATIONS:**

- A. Recognition of the following County Employee retired: **Thomas Belton** worked for the Douglas County Department of Corrections for 26 years. (Karen Buche, Civil Service/HR) ([See Attached](#))
- B. Recognition of the following County Employee retired: **Evelyn Brown** worked for the Douglas County Youth Center for 13 years. (Karen Buche, Civil Service/HR) ([See Attached](#))
- C. Recognition of the following County Employee retired: **Thomas Sullivan** worked for the Douglas County Department of Corrections for 16 years. (Karen Buche, Civil Service/HR) ([See Attached](#))
- D. Resolution declaring February as ‘**Black (African American) History Month**’ commemorating the tremendous contributions of African Americans to American history. (Commissioner Chris Rodgers, Board Vice Chair) ([See Attached](#))

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V. **PRESENTATIONS:**

VI. **PUBLIC HEARING:**

- A. Todd Pfitzer, Douglas County Engineer, requests the following:
Open the Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 31, 2023 for the vacation of 47th Street south of Manchester Drive within Yorkshire Hills Addition to public comments, with action to be taken Tuesday, February 7, 2023. ([See Attached](#))

VII. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/ACTION:

A. FINANCE:

Commissioners PJ Morgan and Mike Friend, Co-chairs

1. Budget Report. (Budget and Finance Director) ([See Attached](#))

B. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

Commissioner Roger Garcia, Chair

C. CHILD AND YOUTH SERVICES:

Commissioner Chris Rodgers, Chair

D. COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Commissioner Maureen Boyle, Chair

1. Re-allocation of 2022-23 Visitor Improvement Fund grant award for Partners for Livable Omaha. (Catherine Hall, Administration) ([See Attached](#))

E. CRIMINAL JUSTICE:

Commissioner Mike Friend, Chair

F. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:

Commissioner James Cavanaugh, Chair

G. HUMAN RESOURCES:

Commissioner Mary Ann Borgeson, Chair

1. Weekly Personnel Report from Civil Service. ([See Attached](#))
2. Legislative issues. ([See Attached](#))

Note: The Douglas County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to discuss and/or take action on any legislation, resolution or study, pending consideration by the state legislature. Such information may be viewed at the following address (this data is maintained by the Unicameral Information Office):

<http://nebraskalegislature.gov>

- a. *SUPPORT:* (Marcos San Martin, County Administration) ([See Attached](#))
LB218, Change provisions relating to intent to appropriate money for management of vegetation within the banks or flood plain of a natural stream; (Agriculture Committee > Hearing 2/7)

LB276, Adopt the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Act;
(Health and Human Services Committee > Hearing TBD)

- b. *Other legislation*

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FEBRUARY, 2023

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